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SUBJECT: LOS: GROUP OF FIVE AND COMMITTEE I MEETINGS

REFS: A. STATE 241741 B. STATE 253765 C. STATE 247976

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1. CONCERNING THE PROPOSED GROUP OF FIVE MEETING DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24-28, EMBOFF PASSED MESSAGE TO SOVIETS (KHABIROV OF TREATY AND LEGAL) VERBALLY ON OCTOBER 15 AND BY NON-PAPER ON OCTOBER 24. KHABIROV SAID THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD LEAVE IT TO THE HOSTS TO DECIDE BETWEEN NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON AS THE MEETING SITE, AND WAS GRATEFUL FOR THE LIST OF PROPOSED AGENDA TOPICS. ON OCTOBER 28 EMBOFF PASSED PROPOSEL FOR BILATERAL CONSULTATION ON NOVEMBER 24 TO KHABIROV, WHO PROMISED TO PASS IT ALONG PROMPTLY AND TO LET US KNOW WHEN THE SOVIET SIDE HAD A
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DEFINITE ANSWER.

2. CONCERNING THE PROPOSED COMMITTEE I MEETING (REF C),
KHABIROV SAID THAT OUR WORD (ON OCTOBER 24) WAS THE FIRST MOSCOW
HAD HEARD ABOUT THE INFORMAL MEETING IN NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 15
OR ABOUT THE PROPOSED MEETING ON SEABED ISSUES FOR THE LAST TWO
WEEKS OF NOVEMBER. ON OCTOBER 28 KHABIROV SAID THAT THE SOVIETS
HAVE NOW RECEIVED AN INVITATION IN PAUL ENGO'S NAME AND WOULD
PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. ON THE PRELIMINARY OR CONCURRENT GROUP OF
FIVE EXPERTS MEETING (REF C,D), KHABIROV SAID THAT HE WOULD ALSO
PASS THIS INFORMATION TO HIGHER AUTHORITY AND REPLY WHEN A SOVIET
ANSWER WAS AVAILABLE.

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